To: Capacasa, Jon[Capacasa.jon@epa.gov]; Werner, Lora[Werner.Lora@epa.gov]

Cc: binetti, victoria[binetti.victoria@epa.gov]

From: White, Terri-A

Sent: Tue 1/14/2014 9:50:14 PM

Subject: FW: From NY Times re WV water contamination - ASAP

Jon, Lora,

Did EPA play ANY role in determining the 1ppm level?

From: Johnson, Alisha

Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:18 PM

To: Davis, Alison Cc: White, Terri-A

Subject: RE: From NY Times re WV water contamination

+Terri

Terri – Can we confirm that this was definitely ATSDR?

From: Davis, Alison

Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:17 PM

To: Johnson, Alisha

Subject: FW: From NY Times re WV water contamination

Recommendations?

From: Gabriel, Trip [mailto:gabriel@nytimes.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:14 PM

To: Davis, Alison

Subject: Re: From NY Times re WV water contamination

Alison -- Thanks, I'll call them. But tell me, did EPA have any role in determining this standard of safety?

Trip Gabriel
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On Tue, Jan 14, 2014 at 4:02 PM, Davis, Alison < <u>Davis.Alison@epa.gov</u> > wrote:
Hi Trip –
Alisha Johnson asked me to touch base with you on your inquiry. Please touch base with ATSDR about the 1 ppm figure. Here's a press contact for you:
Bernadette Burden
CDC Press Officer
404-639-7288
Btb8@cdc.gov
Thanks.
-Alison

Alison Davis

US EPA Office of Media Relations

Telephone number until Jan. 17: 202-564-0835

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From: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy > Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 2:58:18 PM

To: Johnson, Alisha

Subject: From NY Times re WV water contamination

Hi Alisha,

I'm covering the chemical spill in West Virginia that contaminated drinking water. State officials, in lifting their do-not-drink ban, are citing the EPA as the source of guidance on the potability of the water. Specifically, they're using a figure of 1ppm for the spilled chemical in the water. There's some confusion of how this figure was determined. Can you help me speak with the appropriate department or expert who did the calculation?

This is an article for tonight.

Best,

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